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For

APPARUTUS FOR PROTECTION DURING THE USE OF HAIR DYE OR COLORING

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patent and Trademarks

Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to the Examination of the reissue application, please amend the abovecaptioned reissue application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add the following new claims:

- --11. (New) A protective covering for the scalp, facial skin, eyes, mouth and nostrils of a person comprising:
- a flexible absorbent pad having a substantially planar surface, said pad having a first side and a second side, and

an adhesive member disposed on a portion of said first side of said absorbent pad.

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12. (New) The protective covering of claim 11 wherein said absorbent pad is adapted for

attachment to a forehead area of a user such that at least a portion of said adhesive member contacts

the forehead area of the user.

13. (New) The protective covering of claim 11 wherein said pad having a first end and a

second end.

14. (New) The protective covering of claim 12 further comprising a first flange extension

disposed at or adjacent to the first end of said pad and a second flange extension disposed at or

adjacent to the second end of said pad.

15. (New) The protective covering of claim 14 wherein said first flange extension is

monolithically formed with said pad and said second flange extension is monolithically formed

with said pad.

16. (New) The protective covering of claim 14 wherein a portion of said first flange

extension having a second adhesive member disposed thereon and a portion of said second flange

extension having a third adhesive member disposed thereon.

17. (New) The protective covering of claim 11 wherein said pad constructed from a

chemical absorbing material.

18. (New) A protective covering for the scalp, facial skin, eyes, mouth and nostrils of a

person comprising:

a flexible absorbent pad having a substantially planar surface, said pad having a first side

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and a second side, a portion of said absorbent pad being adapted for attachment to a forehead area

of a user, said absorbent pad having a first end and a second end;

a first flange extension disposed at or adjacent to the first end of said pad and a second

flange extension disposed at or adjacent to the second end of said pad; and

an adhesive member disposed on a substantial portion of said first side of said pad.

19. (New) The protective covering of claim 18 wherein said first flange extension is

monolithically formed with said pad and said second flange extension is monolithically formed

with said pad.

20. (New) The protective covering of claim 18 wherein a portion of said first flange

extension having a second adhesive member disposed thereon and a portion of said second flange

extension having a third adhesive member disposed thereon.--.

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed with the reissue application for U.S. Patent No.

6,012,171 which issued on January 11, 2000. The Preliminary Amendment and Reissue

Application are being filed within two (2) years of the issue date of U.S. Patent No. 6,012,171.

Claims 11 through 20 have been added. No new matter has been inserted. Claims 1-20

remain pending in the application.

It is respectfully believed that the claims are in condition for allowance, and Applicant

respectfully requests action to that end.

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In order to facilitate prosecution of this application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned with any comments or suggestions the Examiner may have.

Any additional charges, including Extensions of Time, please bill our Deposit Account No. 13-1130.

Respectfully submitted,

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